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SECRET. THIS IS A SITUATION SUMMARY OF DEVELOPMENTS

ALONG THE SINO-INDIAN BORDER AS OF 19 JAN 63. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS A COLLATION FROM A NUMBER OF HIGHLY RELIABLE SOURCES.

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1. NAGCHHU DZONG AIRFIELD (3131N/9152E) WITH A ENE/WSW PACKED EARTH RUNWAY ESTIMATED TO BE 12,500 X 350 FEET IS REPORTED TO BE IN FINAL STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION ALTHOUGH NO CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY WAS EVIDENT AT TIME OF OBSERVATION. A PROBABLE COMMUNICATIONS SITE WAS REPORTED TO BE IN A WALLED COMPOUND 1/5 OF A MILE SOUTH OF RUNWAY. ELEVEN STICK MASTS AND FOUR BUILDINGS WERE OBSERVED. NO AIRCRAFT OR ANY UNUSUAL ACTIVITY WAS REPORTED AT LHASA AIRFIELD (3030N/9107E) OR TINGRI DZONG AIRFIELD (2835N/8638E).

2. CURRENT MILITARY STATUS REMAINS BASICALLY UNCHANGED FROM INFORMATION RECEIVED LATE IN 1962. NO UNUSUAL ACTIVITY OR ANY CHANGE IN FACILITIES HAS BEEN OBSERVED AT THE FOLLOWING MILITARY INSTALLATIONS:

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ZHIKATSKE ARMY BKS (2915N/8853E), LHASA ARMY BKS SE (2937N/9115E), LHASA ARMY BKS CENTRAL SOUTH MARKAR SAGA (2939N/9107E), LHASA HQ 54TH ARMY ELEMENT (2939N/9106E), LHASA ARMY BKS SOUTH THIP (2938N/9106E), LHASA ARMY BKS W NORTU LINGKA (2938N/9103E), YATUNG ARMY BKS 2729N/8854E), KAMPA DZONG MIL ACTIVITY (2818N/8832E), TINGRI DZONG ARMY BKS (2834N/8638E), TRANGSA TSE ARMY BKS (2839N/8730E), AND TINGKYA DZONG MIL ACTIVITY (2819N/8807E). ALSO NO CHANGE IN FACILITIES WAS REPORTED AT THE GYANGTSE ARMY BKS (2857N/8938E) BUT A RADIO STATION CONTAINING ELEVEN STICK MASTS, A TRANSMITTER BUILDING, AND FIVE MISC BUILDINGS WAS OBSERVED 1/2 MILE SOUTH OF GYANGTSE ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE MAIN ROAD LEADING INTO THE CITY. FRAGMENTARY REPORTS INDICATE A LOW LEVEL OF MILITARY ACTIVITY BUT THE FOLLOWING FACILITIES HAVE BEEN OBSERVED: ABOUT NINE MILES NE OF NAGCHHU DZONG BKS AREA (3139N/9200E) ARE THREE SMALL WALLED COMPOUNDS CONTAINING TWENTY-EIGHT BUILDINGS WITH WENTY-ONE TRUCKS PARKED WITHIN THE AREA; AT ZAMAR MIL CAMP (3000N/9032E) EIGHT MILES N OF LHASA ARE SIXTEEN BKS AND TWENTY SUPPORT BUILDINGS. AT TIME OF OBSERVATION A CONVOY OF SIXTEEN TRUCKS WAS SEEN LEAVING THE AREA ON THE ROAD TOWARD LHASA AIRFIELD WHILE AN ADDITIONAL THIRTY-FIVE TRUCKS WERE PARKED ALONG MAIN ROAD WITHIN CAMP PREPARATORY TO LEAVING; SIXTEEN MILES E OF KA ERH CHI (3219N/9137E) WAS A MILITARY BKS AND STORAGE AREA CONTAINING THIRTY-ONE BKS, EIGHT STORAGE BLDGS AND EXTENSIVE OPEN STORAGE AREA; THE CHI-TENG-HSI-LIN MIL CAMP (3311N/9152E) APPROXIMATELY THIRTY-FIVE MILES NW OF CHI-TENG-HSI-LIN CONSISTS OF SIX BKS AND THIRTY-TWO MISC BLDGS IN THREE AREAS. ONE AREA CONTAINED A LEAST THREE-HUNDRED FUEL DRUMS. FIVE TRUCKS WERE PARKED WITHIN THE CAMP AREA; THE AN TU MAI MA BKS AREA

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(3215N/9145E) TEN MILES N OF KHOKINK IS MADE UP OF TWO WALLED AREAS WITH TWENTY-SIX QUONSET HUTS AND TWELVE BKS. THERE WERE TWO BLDGS IN EARLY STAGES OF CONSTRUCTION. NO VEHICLES WERE VISIBLE DURING PERIOD OF OBSERVATION. JUST WEST OF THE ABOVE AREA IS AN TU MAI BKS AREA WEST (3215N/9141E) WITH A WALLED COMPOUND CONTAINING EIGHT BKS, TWELVE TENTS, AND EIGHT SUPPORT BLDGS AND AN OPEN AREA WITH FOUR BKS AND TWENTY-THREE MISC BUILDINGS. NO VEHICULAR ACTIVITY WAS OBSERVED. NO MILITARY INSTALLATION OR MILITARY ACTIVITY WAS OBSERVED IN THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED YATUNG BKS AREA (2752N/8058E).

3. SOME ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION HAS BEEN REPORTED IN THE TOWN OF NAGCHHU DZONG (3130N/9200E) WITH THE ERECTION OF AT LEAST TEN WAREHOUSE TYPE BLDGS. NO CONSTRUCTION OR UNUSUAL ACTIVITY WAS REPORTED IN AND AROUND THE FOLLOWING TOWNS [REDACTED] 25X1D ZHIKATSE (2915N/8853E), GYANGTSE (2857N/8938E), LHASA (2939N/9106E), TINGRI DZONG (2835N/8638E), TRANGSA TSE (2839N/8730E), AND LHATSE DZONG (2910N/8745E).

4. ROAD NETWORKS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS ARE REPORTED SERVICEABLE BUT NO TROOP OR SUPPLY CONCENTRATIONS HAVE BEEN REPORTED. OBSERVATIONS OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC INDICATES A MODERATE LEVEL OF ACTIVITY. SPORATIC MONITORING WAS ACCOMPLISHED ON ROADS IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS. A CONVOY OF TWENTY-SIX TRUCKS WAS VIEWED FIFTEEN MILES NORTHWEST OF NAGCHHU DZONG TRAVELLING SOUTH FROM 3143N/9142E TO 3129N/9144E. ABOUT THIRTY MILES SOUTHEAST OF KHAMBA DZONG TWELVE TRUCKS WERE HEADING SOUTH BETWEEN 2810N/8850E AND 2805N/8855E. SIX AND ONE-HALF MILES NORTHEAST OF DOCHEN SIX TRUCKS WERE OBSERVED HEADING SOUTH ON BYANGTSE/DOCHEN ROAD AT 2831N/8923E. ABOUT THREE MILES SOUTH OF DOCHEN AT

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2805N/8917E THREE TRUCKS PULLING SMALL FIELD PIECES WERE TRAVELLING SOUTH. IN THE PHARI DZONG AREA FROM 2741N/8908E TO 2749N/8909E, FROM TEN TRUCKS WERE SEEN HEADING NORTH AND EIGHT TRUCKS AND A JEEP HEADING SOUTH. FIFTY-SIX TRUCKS INTERMITTENTLY DISPERSED ALONG THE ROAD FROM JUN-CHING-KO TO PU-HA-MANG-KA-NAI WERE VIEWED BETWEEN 3318N/9155E AND 3342N/9208E. ALL OF THE VEHICLES WERE TRAVELING SOUTH. BETWEEN THE FOLLOWING POINTS 3328N/9254E AND 3234N/9137E, SIXTY-NINE TRUCKS WERE OBSERVED. THIRTY-NINE TRAVELING SOUTH AND THIRTY TRAVELING NORTH.

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